(c) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(d) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir. This is applicable in the three districts of the Kathmandu valley.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Besides work-permits, from April 14, 1987, all workers, including Nepali workers are also required to obtain identity cards.

(d) Government will remain vigilant over any undue discrimination against Indian workers.

Realisation of dues outstanding against State Tourism Development Corporations by the ITDC

1677. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the current assets with value thereof which were raised against the different State Tourism Development Corporations/State Governments consequent upon the transfer of ITDC/DOT properties to them during the last three years; and

(b) whether the value of the assets so raised against the different State Governments/STDC by ITDC have been realised; if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (MUFTI MOHD. SAYEED): (a) and (b) ITDC has transferred during the last 3 years nine travellers' lodges and one restaurant belonging to it besides three forest lodges belonging to the Department of Tourism. The position regarding details of value realised/to be realised by ITDC for these properties is given in Annexure. [*See* Appendix CXLII, Annexure No. 84]

Trade between India and Latin American countries

1678. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the quantum of trade between India and the Latin American countries during the last three years;

(b) whether there has been any increase/decrease in trade with these countries; and

(c) what measures Government have taken to increase the trade between India and these countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) The quantum of trade between India and Latin American countries during the last 3 years is given below:

(Value: Rs. Crores)

Year	Exports	Imports
1984-85 . .	21·78	460·54
1985-86 (P) . .	21·08	549·52
1986-87 (P) . . (April-September)	13·88	234·71

P : Provisional

(b) The level of two way trade with Latin American countries during 1985-86 increased as compared to that during 1984-85. However, the figures for first six months of 1986-87 indicate a declining trend as compared to corresponding period during 1985-86.

(c) On account of the debt crisis being faced by most of the Latin American countries, the prospects for increasing trade with these countries in the short term are limited. However, official level discussions have been held for opening